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RESPONSE "A"

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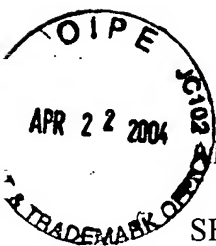
Sir:

In response to the Official Action of March 24, 2004, having a response with a shortened statutory period for response set to expire by April 24, 2004, please consider the following remarks:

REMARKS

In the Official Action, restriction was required between the inventions identified in the original application. Specifically, restriction was required between the subject matter of Group I, namely Claims 1 - 3, as drawn to a process and, Group II, namely Claims 4 - 17, as drawn to an apparatus.

Although Applicant respectfully disagrees with the Examiner's analysis with respect to the Requirement for Restriction, Applicant is desirous of obtaining Official Action on the merits at an early date. As such, Applicant herein elects Group II, namely Claims 4 - 17, as drawn to a process. Applicant reserves the right to take such other measures, as he deems necessary, such as the filing of a divisional application, with respect to the subject matter of Group I.



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